

Iron County Register.

BY ELI D. AKE.

IRONTON, MISSOURI.

THERE are 3,310 farms in Maine with a total area of 254,512 acres and a taxable valuation of \$1,248,789 that have been abandoned by their owners.

MARY ELEANOR WHEELER, alias Mrs. Pearcey, was hanged in London, on the 24th, for the murder of Mrs. Phoebe Hogg and her infant child in October last.

SECRETARY TRACY, on the 23d, awarded the contract for building the Annapolis harbor defense run at the Bath Iron Works, of Maine, at their bid of \$920,000.

HEINRICH SCHLEIMANN, the noted archaeologist, discoverer of the supposed site of ancient Troy, died in Berlin, on the 26th, at the age of sixty-eight years.

The residence of Victor Rogers, of Jessville, Mich., was burned on the 23d, and his two children, aged three and ten years, respectively, perished in the flames.

The jury in the case of Frank Ward, whose trial for the murder of Matthew Adler, in June last, had been progressing in Washington, D. C., for two weeks, returned a verdict of "not guilty" on the 25th.

It is believed not improbable that the British House of Commons will unseat Sir John Pope Hennessy, member-elect from North Kilkenny, on account of undue clerical influence exercised in his election.

ERZKEL METZELS, aged sixty, a wealthy and retired newspaper man, well known in Ohio, and Miss Elizabeth Blizard, aged twenty-one, a charming young lady, were married at Columbus on the 25th.

A DISPATCH from Rome says that the purpose of the Vatican is to use the leverage of clerical influence in Ireland to compel the British Government to extend diplomatic recognition to the Holy See, so greatly desired by the Pope.

ISAAC SAWTELLE was found guilty, at Dover, N. H., on the 23d, of the murder of his brother Hiram, whom he fired from his home and dispatched in order that he might secure the victim's portion of the estate left by his father.

REV. JAMES BLACK, D. D., LL. D., professor of theology at Woodbury (O.) University, died on the 23d. Dr. Black was a classmate of Secretary Blaine at Washington and Jefferson College, Pennsylvania. He was sixty-five years of age.

The Italians of Dalmatia have made an energetic protest against the incorporation of that province with Croatia. They fear that such a transfer would lessen the chances of their being reunited to Italy as a result of the Irredentist movement.

The motion to suspend judgment and for a new trial in the case of General Peter J. Claasen, president of the Sixth National Bank of New York, which he tried to wreck, was on the 23d, denied by the United States Court in banc, without right of appeal.

A CIRCULAR, issued on the 23d, informed the British branches of the National League that the services of most of the officials connected with such branches would not be needed in the future, owing to the doubtful financial position of the League.

The election, held on the 23d, to fill the seat in the House of Commons made vacant by the death of Mr. Marum, member for North Kilkenny, Ireland, resulted in the return of Sir John Pope Hennessy, the anti-Parnellite candidate, by a handsome majority.

The Portuguese Government has shrewdly granted valuable concessions in the disputed portion of Manicland, South Africa, to an English company which is actively campaigning in behalf of the Portuguese claims and against the British South African Company.

The coroner's jury in the case of Miss Worthington who was killed in the recent railway accident at Broadstone, England, returned a verdict, on the 26th, charging the engineer and fireman of the detached engine with which the express train collided with manslaughter.

The Territorial Legislature of Oklahoma adjourned on the 24th, without having provided a criminal code to take the place of that of Nebraska, which they were authorized by the act of incorporation to use until the Legislature met. The President has asked Congress to supply the omission.

The President has appointed the following additional commissioners to the World's Fair: David W. Curtis, alternate, for Wisconsin; Louis Williams, commissioner, for Alaska; Carl Spuh, alternate, for Alaska; M. A. Fulker, alternate, for Alaska; Edward DeGroot, commissioner, for Alaska.

The statement is made that the German Government will grant Prof. Koch 1,000,000 marks and his assistants 500,000 marks for the privilege of manufacturing the Koch lymph. Prof. Koch and his assistants are said to have a large share of the profits accruing from the manufacture of the lymph.

Mrs. HARRIET WORRELL, said to be the champion chess player of the country, attempted suicide at College Point, L. I., on the 23d, by drinking a quantity of carbolic acid. She is the widow of Captain Worrell, a wealthy Englishman, who held a high place in Mexico during Maximilian's reign.

EBRAUD, the Parisian stranger condemned to death, is still hopeful of being granted a new trial. Gabrielle Bonpard, his companion in crime, is not at all cast down by her twenty years' sentence. It is possible that she will be released after serving ten years of her term. She will then be comparatively young.

The steamer Magnet, loaded with meat, potatoes and other government stores, sailed from Portsmouth for Galway on the 23d. On arriving at the latter port the steamer's cargo was unloaded and the provisions hurried for distribution to the various famine-stricken districts of Western Ireland. Three additional vessels have been engaged, and the work will be continued for months.

NEWS AND NOTES.

A Summary of Important Events.

FIFTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

In the Senate, on the 23d, the day's session was devoted to the discussion of the Federal Elections bill. Mr. Higgins made a long speech in support of the bill, and Mr. Voorhees another long address in opposition. The bill was passed by a vote of 51 to 41 on the 23d at 3:15 p. m., was sent in considering matters pertaining to the District of Columbia.

At 10 a. m., on the 23d, Mr. Morgan during the morning hour spoke in support of his resolution directing the committee on Privileges and Elections to amend the Elections bill so as to show what changes and modifications in existing law are intended to be made. The Elections bill was then taken up and Senators Gill and McPherson spoke in opposition to the bill. Mr. Aldrich presented his closure resolution later in the afternoon, with the request that it be taken and printed. In the House after the reading of the Journal and its approval, and the Speaker's announcement of the adjournment of several members to committees, adjournment was taken until the 26th.

In the Senate, on the 24th, Mr. Edmunds asked unanimous consent for the passage of a joint resolution extending until July 1, 1894, the period during which the laws of the Federal Government shall be in force in Oklahoma. Mr. Morgan objected and the bill went over. Mr. Morgan called up his bill for the amendment of the Federal Elections bill, with the request that it be taken and printed. Pending debate the hour of eleven arrived and Mr. McPherson continued his speech against the Elections bill. At 12:45 p. m., the Senate adjourned until the 25th. The House was not in session on the 24th.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

SEVERAL of the English iron masters in the Cleveland district have given notice that on account of the condition of trade they will be compelled to make a large reduction of wages in January. A BALTIMORE man signing himself William Durall has been working among the prominent Senators at Washington by pretending to have named his first-born son for them and appealing to their generosity and pride for material assistance, and in many cases was successful. The impostor was exposed by a Nebraska, however, unmasked the fake.

REV. DR. ALMON VERGEL, a minister of the Baptist church, died at Fort Wayne, Ind., on the 23d, aged ninety-two years.

The citizens' committee, consisting of members of the House of Representatives and the Oregon Board of Immigration, have raised a guarantee fund of \$100,000 for the purpose of starting an independent Democratic newspaper in Portland, Ore.

The trial of the cruiser Newark, on the 23d, was a pronounced success, and was completed without any hitch or accident. The logs showed a speed attained of 19.6 knots per hour, while the engines developed a little over 9,000 horse-power. If this is borne out by the official report the Grampians will realize \$50,000 premium.

JACOB THOMAS, aged sixty-three, died at Madison, Wis., on the 23d, of an aneurism and a peculiar disease. Huge ulcers had formed all over his lower limbs, eating holes in his flesh as big as turkeys. These sores gradually extended up until they reached his heart and lungs, hence his death.

A SCOTLAND syndicate, with James Logan of Glasgow, Scotland, at its head, has secured control of the plant of the Forest Milling Company at Cedar Falls, Ia. The sale also includes five other oatmeal mills in that vicinity.

The Kansas Insane Asylum at Topeka is so crowded with patients that the superintendent has notified the Probate Judge of Atchison that thirteen of the thirty-five Atchison County patients therein confined will have to be removed to some other place.

THOMAS HOBBS, employed in the St. Peter-Starch Works at Des Moines, Ia., fell against a rapidly-revolving wheel of a lathe, and was killed. The speed of 120 revolutions a minute and a throw of a distance of fifteen feet, alighting stark naked in a tank of water. His injuries are probably fatal.

On the 23d, Mrs. Johanne Daily was found dead in bed at Lafayette, Ind. The discovery was made by Sheriff McKee. The cause of death was asphyxiation, the result of a foreclosure of a mortgage. The loss of her home deranged her mind, and she took a dose of arsenic. She was eighty years old.

A REMOR was current in Buenos Ayres on the 23d, that a plot to overthrow the Argentine Government had been discovered. Several persons are said to have been arrested for complicity in the conspiracy.

JAMES C. MCGREGOR, one of the wealthiest citizens of Terre Haute, Ind., was instantly killed, on the 23d, while out hunting five miles north of the city. He leaves a wife and three children. The cause was a fall from a two-year-old and retired from the mercantile business.

A LIONESS discovered lurking near the Haleham railway station in Liverpool, England, on the 23d, was shot. Its presence, which created terror in the neighborhood, could not be accounted for.

NEAR South Louisville, Ky., on the 23d, Lillie Van Arsdel, a girl sixteen years old, was struck by a train and killed. She was on her way to school, walking on the track, which is double, and when she heard the train approaching stepped on the wrong track.

The East End street-car stables at Fort Wayne, Ind., were burned on the night of the 23d. Sixty head of horses perished in the flames. This, with harness and a large amount of hay and grain, makes the loss foot up about \$20,000.

The Congo Technical Commission has been organized. That America shall have the same rights as other powers in the Congo State, although the United States Government did not ratify the Berlin act.

The condition of P. T. Barnum, the veteran showman, is much improved, and his friends are beginning to be more hopeful. He rests a great deal easier and takes considerable food.

JOHN BRENNAN, station agent at Bays Station, O., on the Toledo, Findlay & Springfield railroad, was murdered and robbed, on the night of the 23d, and his body thrown into the depot, which was then set on fire. His murderer was secured by the miscreants, or who they were, is unknown.

The Masonic Temple at Baltimore, Md., was destroyed by fire, on the 23d, just before the opening of the afternoon matinee in Forepaugh's Theater, entailing a loss of \$200,000.

EXPORT manufacturers declare that the new French tariff will practically put an end to the trade with France in certain lines of textile goods.

The residence of Peter Emire at Wilmet, Pa., was burned, on the 24th, and Mr. Emire was burned to death. His wife and children escaped.

In a case at Philadelphia, on the 24th, before Judge Reed, the Oleomargarine law of Pennsylvania was declared to be unconstitutional.

A LITTLE child, the daughter of Oliver Beckwith, was burned, to death in its bed at Bolivar, N. Y., on the morning of the 24th.

NATHAN JACKSON, employed at Nicholson's Brick Works, in Steubenville, O., attempted to remove an obstruction from the crusher on the 24th. He stooped over to reach for the stone while the mill was revolving rapidly and fell in. The immense wheel ground him to pieces.

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At Muskegon, Mich., on the 26th, Claude McCarthy, aged twelve, and John Meyer, aged thirteen, broke through the ice while skating on Muskegon lake and were drowned.

GUSTAV LAMSON, a laborer, lost himself in one of the big sewers of Minneapolis, Minn., on the 26th, and wandered over three miles before he could get out.

FOUR "book-makers" were fined \$800 each and costs at Freehold, N. J., on the 26th.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

Christmas in the Penitentiary.

The convicts in the Missouri penitentiary enjoyed Christmas Day as only a holiday is enjoyed within the cold, frowning, forbidding walls of a penal institution. There is a zest and energy about the appreciation shown by the unfortunate and unhappy criminals that removes from the minds of the spectators any doubt that may be entertained about its being a merry Christmas for them. They are in for making the most of the holiday, and the enthusiasm never wanes. A special to St. Louis paper gives the following account of how the day was passed:

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DICKINSON, N. D., Dec. 25.—Captain Fountain's and Lieutenant Sydenham's troop of the Eighth Cavalry, eighty men, are surrounded by five hundred Indians in the Cave Hills, eighty miles south of Dickinson, in one of the worst spots in the Bad Lands. Fountain's company had been making forced marches for the past ten days, and gaining rapidly on Sitting Bull's band, who have joined forces with Short Bull's and Kicking Bear's bands of four hundred Indians in the Cave Hills, eighty miles south of Dickinson, in one of the worst spots in the Bad Lands. Fountain's company had been making forced marches for the past ten days, and gaining rapidly on Sitting Bull's band, who have joined forces with Short Bull's and Kicking Bear's bands of four hundred Indians in the Cave Hills, eighty miles south of Dickinson, in one of the worst spots in the Bad Lands.

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MONEY AND BUSINESS.

The Week's Business and the General Commercial and Financial Outlook.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: The holiday trade was remarkably heavy here, and at nearly all other points good, which is by no means evidence that the tightness of the money market springs from any general embarrassment of business or industry. The volume of payments through banks continues larger, though but about three per cent. larger than a year ago. Foreign trade is very heavy, in spite of causes which were expected to insure a material decrease. Reports from other cities disclose no important change in the condition of trade. Wholesale business naturally slackens and is quiet at this point in the year, and the disposition to act is rather increased by the tardiness of collections. At Boston prospects are considered better for trade in woolen and cotton goods, and some large lots of wool have been sold at 100 cents, the lowest price for the year, and all pig iron is at bottom prices. Manufactured iron is in fair demand, and rails are changed at points further west. The expectation of improvement for January is general. At Kansas City wholesale trade is quite good, but not very active. Stocks are light. At Lincoln, Neb., business exceeds that of last year. At Denver the demand for money is lighter, but at Salt Lake the market is extremely tight, and the outlook unsatisfactory. At other points in the Northwest the monetary situation seems better. Reports from the West indicate some improvement. Manufacturers at Louisville are fully employed, though money is very close. Trade at St. Louis is better, but not very active. The crop of cotton is better than last year's. The crop of cotton is better than last year's. The crop of cotton is better than last year's.